

# Week 7 Lesson 1

Can I understand what facts and  
opinions are?

# Fast Five

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2. I ate late last night, because I was busy.
3. I love playing football, even though I ache afterwards.
4. I like apples, but I don't like pears.
5. Even if he eats lots at dinner time, he's still hungry.

# Fast five answers

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1. I went to bed very late, **so** I am tired today. **coordinating**
2. I ate late last night, **because** I was busy. **subordinating**
3. I love playing football, **even though** I ache afterwards.  
**subordinating**
4. I like apples, **but** I don't like pears. **coordinating**
5. **Even if** he eats lots at dinner time, he's still hungry.  
**subordinating**

# Fact or Opinion

Which is fact and which is opinion?

- Pizza is delicious
- Pizza originally came from Italy.
  
- Match of the Day is brilliant
- Match of the Day is a television programme about football.

- Pizza is delicious. **OPINION** – I think so others might not.
- Pizza originally came from Italy. **FACT** – this is true.
  
- Match of the Day is brilliant. **OPINION** – I love it, my wife hates it.
- Match of the Day is a television programme about football. **FACT** – it shows highlights of football matches, so it is true.

# **Fact or opinion**

## **Facts**

- are true
- can be proven

Is the statement true for everyone? This will help you decide if it is a fact.

More likely to have numbers or statistics.

## **Opinions**

- what someone thinks or believes.
- cannot be proven

Look for adjectives and emotions in the statement or text.

# **What is fact and what is opinion?**

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### Fact

- contains a mixture of soap and bleach which removes dirt and kills germs – Does it? Yes
- Costs £2.50 a bottle – Does it? Yes

### Opinion

- best bathroom cleaner on the market – who thinks so? How has this been measured? Would everyone agree?
- you won't believe your eyes what Superclean can do for you - they cannot be certain of that.



# Identify what is fact and what is fiction in this advert.

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### Fact

- three bedroom flat – Is it a flat? Yes. Has it got three bedrooms? Yes.
- half a mile from Castle Park – Is it? Yes
- three bathrooms – Are there three bathrooms? Yes

### Opinion

- fantastic location – who thinks so?
- tastefully refurbished – they might think so, I might not!
- good sized bedrooms – what is a good sized bedroom?
- excellent storage space – depends what you're storing
- bright reception room – how bright?